

**DECLARATION OF
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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

EDMUND JEW,

Defendant.

No. CR 07-00705 SI

DECLARATION OF SPECIAL AGENT
J. CHRISTOPHER McDONOUGH

Date: March 21, 2008
Time: 11:00 a.m.

I, J. CHRISTOPHER McDONOUGH, hereby declare as follows:

1. I am a Special Agent with the FBI, assigned to the San Francisco Field Office. I have been employed as a Special Agent since 1999 and am assigned to investigate white-collar crime, including public corruption cases. I have been the lead case agent on the investigation of Edmund Jew since the matter was first referred to the FBI in May 2007.

2. The FBI first learned of bribery allegations against Jew on May 2, 2007. It is my understanding that Steven Gruel contacted an agent in the FBI's office in Concord,

1 California. The Concord-based agent passed the referral to Supervisory Special Agent
2 Susan Sivok, who oversees the FBI's public-corruption investigations in San Francisco.
3 SSA Sivok assigned the investigation to me.

4 3. The FBI began its investigation immediately. We contacted the Quickly
5 store representatives from whom Jew had allegedly demanded bribe money. They agreed
6 to assist the FBI with the investigation.

7 4. The FBI did not and does not understand Leland Yee to be a percipient
8 witness to the allegations against Jew. Senator Yee was part of the chain of
9 communications beginning with the Quickly store owners and ending with the FBI, and
10 also had some historical knowledge regarding both the Defendant and Robert Chan.
11 However, I did not and do not understand Mr. Yee to have any direct involvement in or
12 personal knowledge of the allegations in this case. I base this understanding on my
13 knowledge of the investigation, as well as my participation in the FBI's interview of
14 Leland Yee.

15 5. The first time I ever heard of an alleged attorney-client relationship between
16 Yee and Gruel was when Jew made this allegation in the Motion currently pending before
17 this Court.

18 6. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.
19 Executed this 7th day of March, 2008, in San Francisco, California.

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J. CHRISTOPHER McDONOUGH
Special Agent, FBI